

Mink

Mink pelt production in Utah during 2001 totaled 610,000 pelts, up 20,000 pelts from 2000. The number of females bred to produce kits in 2001 was 145,000, down 11 percent from the previous year. Utah ranked second in the nation in mink pelt production in 2001.

Mahogany, at 233,500, was the most common type pelt

produced followed by Standard with 205,000. Demi-Buff was third with 60,000 pelts produced. In 2001 there were 80 mink farms in Utah, 10 farms fewer than 2000.

Leading mink producing counties, Utah and Morgan, produced over 65 percent of all pelts taken. Other leading counties were Summit, Cache, and Salt Lake.

Mink: Number of Ranches, Pelts Produced, Females Bred, Average Price & Value, Utah and United States, 1994-2001

Year	Utah			United States				
	Ranches Producing Pelts	Pelts Produced	Females Bred	Ranches Producing Pelts	Pelts Produced	Females Bred	Average Marketing Price	Value of Pelts
	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Million Dollars</i>
1994	130	530	165	484	2,623.2	726.2	33.00	86.6
1995	130	570	162	478	2,803.1	727.9	53.10	148.8
1996	130	585	167	449	2,783.2	703.1	35.30	98.2
1997	125	670	185	452	2,993.3	749.7	33.10	99.1
1998	115	675	175	439	2,938.2	733.3	24.80	72.9
1999	110	650	156	398	2,812.5	672.7	33.70	94.8
2000	90	590	163	350	2,666.1	664.9	34.00	90.6
2001	80	610	145	324	2,565.3	629.5	33.50	85.9

Mink: Pelts Produced in 2001 and Females Bred for 2002, by Type, Utah and United States

Type	Pelts Produced 2001		Females Bred To Produce Kits 2002	
	Utah	United States	Utah	United States
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
Standard	205,000	947,400	56,200	237,000
Ranch Wild		100,700		25,500
Demi-Buff ¹	60,000	129,000	6,900	15,000
Pastel		41,800		8,800
Pale Brown		1,900		600
Sapphire	15,500	108,300	5,500	38,500
Gunmetal	40,000	472,000	10,000	119,100
Mahogany	233,500	580,000	57,200	125,300
Pearl		73,900		18,100
Lavender Hope		3,500	2,500	4,500
Pink		800		200
Violet Type		21,400		6,300
White		73,700		17,400
Miscellaneous		10,900		4,200
Total	610,000	2,565,300	149,000	620,500

¹ Demi-buff includes crossed of dark brown, violet, pastel, standard, pearl or others.

² Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.